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Dear Dr. Lisanti,

During the week of January 12-16, 1981, a Gordon Research Conference on "Oxygen Radicals in Biology and Medicine" will be held at the Holiday Inn in Ventura, California. Enclosed please find the program for this meeting, including the listing of the sessions, speakers and discussion leaders. We believe that we have put together an excellent program for this conference and are looking forward to a stimulating week devoted to the chemistry, biology and pathology of oxygen radicals.

A major concern that we have deals with the availability of adequate financial support for our speakers, discussion leaders and other participants who may not have access to their own travel funds. Because we had only 6.5 months of lead time following approval by the Gordon Research Conferences' Board, we have been unable to effectively seek support from government agencies I am therefore writing you to see if the Council for Tobacco Research would be willing to volunteer a contribution of $2,000 to help defray travel expenses for some of our speakers or discussion leaders.

I have discussed this matter with Dr. Alexander Cruickshank, Director of the Gordon Research Conferences, with respect to the possibility of different organizations making voluntary contributions for the support of this conference. His position remains that as long as voluntary contributions are made, they would not be in conflict with the charter of the Gordon Research Conferences.

We believe that this meeting will be both timely and important. By bringing together chemists, biochemists, cell biologists, as well as clinicians, we hope to be able to better define the problem areas dealing with oxygen radicals and hopefully stimulate ideas for further work.

If you would like any additional information, I would be happy to supply it. I can be reached at (617)956-6861.

Sincerely yours,

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